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FIFTY-SECOND YEAR

## SILENCE OF THE WHITE HOUSE IS BROKEN

### Statement Issued On Arabic Sinking

COURSE OF ACTION WILL BE DETERMINED JUST AS SOON AS ALL THE FACTS ARE KNOWN.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—Four days have passed since a German submarine sank the White Star liner Arabic with the loss of two American lives and the American government is still without the detailed official information necessary to shape its course.

The only notable development was a break in the official silence which has surrounded the White House. Secretary Tumulty, after conferring with the president, issued this statement: "As soon as all the facts concerning the Arabic are ascertained our course of action will be determined." Lansing declared that all information so far in the hands of the State department is fragmentary and details are still being sought. While the situation is still a waiting one, official quarters reflected the strain which has grown hourly, as no word comes from the German government.

#### Positive Proof.

LONDON, August 23.—Official and unofficial statements were made bearing on the precise status of the Arabic at the time she was sunk, the purpose being to show definitely that she was an unoffending merchant ship proceeding on her course and that without question she was struck by a torpedo fired by a German submarine. The latter point became increasingly important, owing to cable reports from the United States stating that some Berlin officials maintained that since there was no proof anyone aboard the Arabic saw the submarine, the sinking might have been the result of striking a mine.

## TREATY SIGNED BY BULGARIA AND TURKEY

BERLIN, August 23.—The Overseas agency says today: "It is officially reported that Turkey and Bulgaria have signed a new treaty. Turkey granting Bulgaria the desired railroad connection to the sea and Bulgaria agreeing to observe a benevolent neutrality, if not more."

That Bulgaria is not yet pledged to any definite course is the assumption under which the negotiations have been conducted. The entente allies are looking with satisfaction on the reported demands for territorial concessions from Serbia and Greece as the price of Bulgaria's entry into the war on the side of the allies.

#### TRANSPORTS SAIL

ROME, August 23.—Several transports loaded with troops and escorted by warships sailed today under sealed orders for unknown destinations. It is believed the troops are destined for operations against Turkey.

## REALIZE FUTILITY OF PROLONGING THE CONFLICT

PROMINENT GERMANS ADVOCATE THE SEEKING OF HONORABLE PEACE WITH THEIR ENEMIES.

AMSTERDAM, August 23.—A secret conference has been called by the German chancellor before the re-assembling of the reichstag. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the treasury, explained that a new loan would exhaust the empire's resources and an increase of bonds will cause bankruptcy. He urged that it is needful to prepare for an honorable peace.

Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg, according to the same report, declared that the difficulties of the empire are increasing and advised his hearers to use their influence to soften the government's bellicose inclinations and prepare for peace proposals acceptable to the four members of the entente.

Dr. Bernhart Dernberg reported the failure of his mission to the United States and the Telegraph says this made a deep impression. General Von Moltke, former chief of staff, agreed with the chancellor and said that only those not fully informed have any hope of the possibility of a complete Russian defeat. The story says that despite these declarations the meeting refused to adopt a resolution advocating moderation in the reichstag.

## M'ADOO READY TO AID COTTON GROWERS

WILL PUT MONEY IN RESERVE BANKS SO THAT LOANS MADE CAN BE REDISCOUNTED.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—Treasury officials made public the announcement that Secretary McAdoo, in view of the action of the Allies in putting cotton on the contraband list, would, if it became necessary, deposit \$30,000,000 or more in gold in reserve banks to rediscount loans on cotton secured by warehouse receipts made by national banks and State banks belonging to the Federal reserve system.

#### GERMAN VERSION

AMSTERDAM, August 23.—The official report of the German admiralty received says: "Off Zebrugge Sunday night a German outpost boat was attacked by two hostile destroyers and after brave resistance the boat was sunk, but part of the crew was rescued."

#### CURTAINS PRIVILEGES

ROME, August 23.—Italy, having declared war on Turkey, has decided to suppress all privileges enjoyed by Turkey in Tripolitania by the treaty of Lausanne. The liberty of the Mohammedan religion and all local customs will be maintained.

## Entente Capitals Feel Encouraged

LONDON, August 23.—The capitals of the entente allies are jubilant over the Russian naval victory in the Gulf of Riga.

Italy's declaration of war on Turkey has not yet led, so far as is known, to any definite results. It is expected to affect the Roumanian situation. There have been protracted artillery duels on the Belgian-French front.

## German Land Victories Are Offset By Allies' Success On The Seas

British Warships Bombard the Naval Base of Zebrugge While in Baltic Engagement Russia Cripples Three Teuton Cruisers and Eight Torpedo Boats.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, August 23.—The German's naval reverses in the Gulf of Riga and in the Baltic, German success in occupying the fortress of Ossowetz and the British bombardment of the German naval base of Zebrugge, furnished a series of new features which temporarily diverted attention from the gravity of the issues growing out of the sinking of the Arabic.

The German version of the Riga battle was not given out, but the definiteness of the official report on the sinking or crippling of the German battle cruiser Moltke, two other cruisers and eight torpedo boats, sent a wave of enthusiasm throughout the country and dispelled the depression over the Russian retreat on land. Aside from the loss of the German ships the naval engagement is regarded chiefly important for its strategic effect upon land operations in the German

sweep eastward toward Petrograd, which military observers now consider checked and irreparably defeated. The capture of Ossowetz gives the Germans another stronghold, only Grodno, Brest and Litovsk remaining in the central section. It also will give them the main point of the railway to Bielsk and Brest-Litovsk.

Only meagre details were received of the British bombardment of the German naval base of Zebrugge and neighboring points on the Belgian coast. Berlin reports that 40 British ships were engaged.

#### MORE LOSSES

LONDON, August 23.—A dispatch to the Morning Post from Petrograd says: "In addition to the German losses previously reported in the Riga battle, a German submarine was run ashore on the coast of Dago island, just outside the gulf and doubtless also was lost."

#### JAPAN'S MOTIVE

TOKIO, August 23.—In announcing that Japan has decided

to employ all available governmental and private resources to increase the output of munitions for the Allies, particularly Russia, Premier Okuma emphasized the impracticability and impossibility of dispatching troops to Europe. He pointed out that the great advance in the capacity of Japanese manufacture of munitions will prove of great help to the Allies. He said Japan wants Europe to recognize Japan's supremacy in the Orient.

#### NOW WATCH GREECE

ATHENS, August 23.—The new Greek cabinet was definitely formed and took the oath of office in the presence of an immense crowd, which enthusiastically cheered Premier Venizelos.

#### EMBASSY LEAVES

ROME, August 23.—Naby Bey, the Turkish ambassador to Italy with the embassy staff and consuls in this city, left for Turkey via Switzerland. Marquis Digaroni, the Italian ambassador to Constantinople, had already left that country.

## Thick Smoke From Forest Fire Causes Wreck Of Liner

By Associated Press.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 23.—The Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner, Panama Maru, went ashore at Three Point, a point south of here, early today while bound here from Tacoma. She is hard and fast, her bottom in low water and her forward part high and dry. She was unable to keep her course on account of thick smoke from the forest fires.

#### Warnings Sent to Rangers

SAN FRANCISCO, August 23.—Warnings, asking increased precautionary measures against forest fires in the California Federal forest reserves, were sent all supervisors from headquarters here.

## Haitiens Resent U. S. Occupation

WASHINGTON, August 23.—Reliable reports have been received that the Haitian rebels are organizing an army to attack the American forces. These reports are responsible for the plans now pending to reinforce Rear Admiral Caperton's marines and blue-jackets with a marine artillery battalion from Annapolis. Three hundred and fifty men and 12 three-inch guns will be sent to Haiti this week.

#### CHARGES DISMISSED

SAN ANTONIO, August 23.—Charges of a conspiracy to violate the neutrality of the United States against Jose Elguero and Rodrigo De Llano, former editors in Mexico City, have been dismissed by United States attorneys. The men were arrested in connection with an alleged Huerta plot to start a new revolution.

#### WILL APOLOGIZE

LONDON, August 23.—Germany's reply to Denmark's protest against firing on submarine E-13 by a German torpedo boat while the submarine was grounded on the Danish island of Saltholm will be an unreserved apology, according to information received by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph.

Kindred's income was derived from properties in the West, but could add no details.

Kindred told one of his most intimate friends, it was learned today, that he was born in Oakland, California, and ran away as a boy and went to British Columbia.

There, Kindred said, he made his living hunting and fishing, and saved \$3,000. Then he entered the brokerage business and subsequently lost his money and came to New York City.

Kindred was in the habit of going off on fishing trips in one of his automobiles. This friend said that

## MAKING BID FOR COMMERCIAL SUPREMACY

NEW YORK BANK IS TO ESTABLISH BRANCHES IN SOUTH AMERICA AND IN CHINA.

By Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, August 23.—Willis H. Booth, a banker, told the United States trade commission during its brief session here that a New York financial institution, which had already established a branch bank in South America, was preparing to establish two more at Hong Kong and Shanghai to help business by extending credits. Several businessmen of Southern California agreed the national anti-trust law should be amended to permit pools and combinations for the benefit of foreign commerce.

#### GETTING COMMON

LONDON, August 23.—Twenty-seven Americans were members of the crew of the steamer Baron Erskine, which was submerged by the Germans last week. The Americans, who were horse tenders, were landed safely with the rest of the crew.

#### STILL ANOTHER

LONDON (Tuesday) August 24.—Reuter's Petrograd correspondent says a semi-official statement from the Russian capital adds another auxiliary cruiser to the previous list of German losses in the Gulf of Riga.

## WILL HURRY THE RE-SENTENCING OF MEXICANS IN LAST LETTER HE PROTESTS INNOCENCE

MISSIVE WRITTEN BY LEO FRANK BEFORE HE WAS LYNCHED, RECEIVED BY FRIEND.

OAKLAND, Cal., August 23.—The last letter of Leo M. Frank, written two days before he was taken from the State prison farm at Milledgeville, Ga., and lynched by a mob, was received here today by Benjamin F. Wulfi, an attorney and a lifelong friend of Frank.

The letter which was sent from the prison farm and dated August 14, said:

"My Dear Friend: Just a few words of appreciation for your letter of July 28. I am very thankful to an all-wise God that I am able to write you after having been so near death. Surely I must have been spared to see the day when that honor which is justly mine now shall be meted out to me. The wound in my neck will be entirely healed within a few days. I am still weak from initial loss of blood and am confined to bed. With every good wish in which Mrs. Frank joins,

"I am sincerely yours,  
(Signed) "LEO M. FRANK."

#### COPPER

NEW YORK, August 23.—Electrolytic, \$16.50 to \$17.50.

## Hot Time Awaits Him At Phoenix

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Forgery, perjury and impersonation are the charges made against James J. Healy by an insurance company of Phoenix. Healy, who arrived in Prescott yesterday morning in charge of Deputy Jim Murphy, of Maricopa county, was arrested in Needles and was kept in the county jail yesterday while Deputy Murphy was out on another case in a mining camp near Prescott. The two left for the south on the 4 o'clock train.

## ENTIRE CITY 5000 SOULS MAROONED BY FLOOD

### Newport, Ark., In Desperate Plight

PEOPLE ARE FORCED TO SEEK REFUGE IN THE UPPER STORIES OF BUILDINGS; 8 LOST.

LITTLE ROCK, August 23.—Five thousand people in the town of Newport, Ark., are marooned tonight by the flood waters of the White river, and, according to telephone messages, the populace is in desperate straits. Eight are reported drowned. The town was inundated to a depth of five to 12 feet and most of the population sought refuge on the upper floors of the hotels and courthouse.

Because of the recent heavy rains and rapid rise of the river, all the levees protecting the town gave way this morning letting loose one of the most disastrous floods in the history of the community. Two steamboats rescued a number from roofs before being forced to withdraw.

#### Property Damage Large.

ST. LOUIS, August 23.—The receding flood from the Merrimac river failed to substantiate reports to the coroner that 12 were drowned Sunday when the river rose to the highest mark ever recorded. It is now thought that none perished.

It is impossible to estimate accurately the property damage, but large areas are under water and many homes were destroyed. The greater part of the town of Valley Park was inundated and 3,500 there were made homeless. The people voted to appeal to the governor for aid.

#### PELAGOSA ABANDONED

VIENNA, August 23.—The admiralty announced today that a reconnaissance made on Saturday established the fact that the Italians have evacuated the island of Pelagosa in the Adriatic sea, and have destroyed all buildings and fortifications.

## LINER DIOMED SENT TO THE BOTTOM

QUEENSTOWN, August 23.—The liner Diomed was submerged today. The captain and two others were killed by shell fire. The pursuit lasted four hours.

The officer of the Diomed says that two submarines were sighted rigged with dummy funnels.

The Diomed surrendered after she had been subjected to shell fire for four hours. Two boats were lowered and 49 members of the crew got away, taking the body of the captain. One boat was swamped and two Englishmen and five Chinese were drowned. The assistant quartermaster stated that another vessel was in sight and apparently sinking.

#### SILVER

NEW YORK, August 23.—Silver, 47½c.